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SUBJECT; LOCAL ELECTIONS: EXTREMES FAIL AGAIN

1. ON JUNE 18, LOCAL (CITY AND COUNTY) GOVTS THROUGHOUT REPUBLIC HELD FIRST ELECTIONS SINCE 1967. VOTE COUNTS ARE STILL NOT QUITE COMPLETE, BUT IT IS CLEAR THAT THERE ARE NO MAJOR SURPRISES. ONLY MEANINGFUL GENERAL CONCLUSION IS THAT VOTERS AGAIN REJECTED BOTH PROVISIONAL AND OFFICIAL WINGS OF SINN FEIN. AS THIS IS DRAFTED, EACH HAS WON ONLY SIX SEATS, OR LESS THAN ONE PERCENT EACH OF 654 SEATS SO FAR FILLED. AONTACHT EIREANN, THE ONLY OTHER EXTREME-REPUBLICAN PARTY, WON NOT A SINGLE SEAT. PUTTING IT ANOTHER WAY, ULTRA-REPUBLICAN PARTIES AS A WHOLE WON LESS THAN TWO PERCENT OF SEATS AVAILABLE NATIONWIDE. THEY HAVE NO VISIBLE EXCUSE. IN LOCAL ELCECTIONS, PARTY MACHINERY IS MUCH LESS IMPORTANT THAN AT NATIONAL LEVEL, AND POPULAR CANDIDATES CAN GET BY ON BASIS OF PERSONAL DOORBELL-RINGING. 59 ASSORTED NON-PARTY CANDIDATES WERE IN FACT SUCCESSFUL, COMPARED TO THE TWELVE FOR BOTH SINN FEINS.

2. THERE ARE NO MARKED TRENDS FOR BIGGER PARTIES. FIANNA FAIL SITLL HAS OVERALL LEAD, BUT FINE GAIL IS CLOSE. TOTAL OF FINE GAEL AND LABOR SEATS EXCEEDS THAT OF FIANNA FAIL NATIONWIDE AND IN
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